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Prior Application Art Unit: 09/947,078 Prior Application Examiner: [Text]

SIR: This is a request for filing a

☐ Continuation ☒ Continuation-in-Part ☐ Divisional Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending patent application No. 09/947,078, filed September 5, 2001, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/484,706, filed January 18, 2000, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/160,710, filed October 20, 1999.

1. ☐ Enclosed is a complete copy of the prior application including the oath or Declaration and drawings, if any, as originally filed. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior Application No. [Text] as originally filed on [Date], which is incorporated herein by reference.
2. ☐ Enclosed is a substitute specification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.125.
3. ☐ Enclosed is a Request for Non-Publication of Application and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
4. ☐ Cancel Claims [Text].
5. ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
6. ☒ The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 4 and 5 above.

Basic Application Filing Fee					\$740	\$ \$740.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims		
Total Claims	20	-	20	[number]	x \$18	0
Independent Claims	1	-	3	[number]	x \$84	0
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TOTAL APPLICATION FILING FEE	\$ 370.00

7. ☒ A check in the amount of \$370.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
8. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, or credit any overpayment during the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.
9. ☒ This is a continuation-in-part of US Patent Application No. 09/947,078, filed September 5, 2001, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/484,706, filed January 18, 2000, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/160,710, filed October 20, 1999, all of which are incorporated herein by reference.
10. ☐ New formal drawings are enclosed.
11. ☐ The prior application is assigned of record to:
12. ☐ Priority of Application No. [Text], filed on [Text] in [Country] is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. A certified copy
☐ is enclosed or ☐ is on file in the prior application.
13. ☐ Small entity status is appropriate and applies to this application.
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15. ☐ The power appears in the original declaration of the prior application.
16. ☐ Since the power does not appear in the original declaration, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

17. ☒ Please address all correspondence to FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT and DUNNER, L.L.P., 1300 I Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005-3315, **Customer Number 22,852.**
18. ☐ Recognize as associate attorney [Name, Address & Reg. No.]
19. ☒ Also enclosed is : Application _____

PETITION FOR EXTENSION. If any extension of time is necessary for the filing of this application, including any extension in parent Application No. 09/484,706, filed 1/18/00, for the purpose of maintaining copendency between the parent application and this application, and such extension has not otherwise been requested, such an extension is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge necessary fees for such an extension to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for use in charging the deposit account.

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